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Applicants: Bahramian et al.  
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File Date: December 27, 1999

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Examiner: Paras, Peter Jr.  
Docket No.: 2498/101,  
formerly 2281/102

Invention: MUTING GENE ACTIVITY USING A TRANSGENIC NUCLEIC ACID

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**SUPPLEMENT TO RESPONSE I**

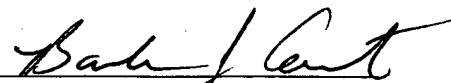
Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby submit a newly executed combined declaration and power of attorney, to replace the defective declaration currently on file, as required in the Office Action of November 10, 2003, p. 2. This newly executed combined declaration and power of attorney was inadvertently not sent with Response I filed on March 10, 2004. Applicants apologize for that oversight, and respectfully submit that the newly executed oath or declaration, submitted herewith, is now in compliance with 37 CFR §1.67(a).

It is believed that no additional extension of time, or fee, is required with this submission beyond the one-month extension that was requested, and for which fees were paid, with the response. In the event that additional fees are required for the timely consideration of this application, however, please charge deposit account number 19-4972.

Date: March 18, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

  
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In re application of: Mohammad B. Bahramian, Helmut Zarbl  
Application No.: 09/472,558 Group No.: 1632  
Filed: 12/27/1999 Examiner: Paras, Jr., P.  
For: Muting Gene Activity Using a Transgenic Nucleic Acid

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a supplemental response for this application and newly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10\***

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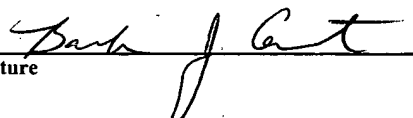
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## FEE FOR CLAIMS

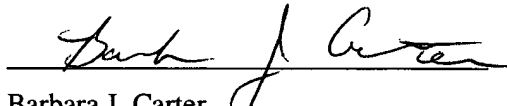
4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL	5	- 56	= 0	x \$ 9.00	= \$	0.00	
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 0.00	= \$	0.00	
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**TYPE OF DECLARATION**

This declaration is for an original application.

**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

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**TITLE OF INVENTION**

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

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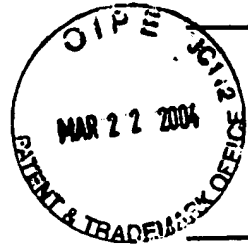
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